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SUBJECT: TASK FORCE REPORTS, WEEK ENDING JUNE 20, 1973

HQS PASS BELK/ IA, DURKIN/ ENCC FROM DOYLE

WHITE HOUSE PASS L. GLADDEN FROM DOYLE/ BNDD

1. TASK FORCE 23 ( SNO)

A) PERSONNEL: NO CHANGE

B) OFFICE SPACE: NO CHANGE.

C) EQUIPMENT: DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD CMDO

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANIED BY COSNO AND DCOSNO TRAVELED TO  
THE MAI SAI, CHIANG MAI AND LAMPANG SNO AREA OFFICES ON A  
COMBINATION INSPECTION AND INTELLIGENCE GATHERING TRIP.

SNO PERSONNEL AT EACH GARRISON WERE QUERIED REGARDING  
THEIR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NEEDS AND RESPONDED WITH A NEED  
FOR VEHICLES E. G., BAHT BUSES WHICH WOULD ENHANCE THEIR  
UNDERCOVEROPERATIONS AND BICYCLES TO FACILITATE THEIR  
C. I.'S TRANSPORTATION. THESE REQUESTS WERE RELAYED TO E.

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ROSENTHAL ON HIS TRIP TO CHIANG MAI ON JUNE 18, 1973.

D) OPERATIONE: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REFERENCE  
THE SEIZURE OF THE OPIUM CARAVAN ON JUNE 20, 1973 AND SNO'S  
ROLE IN SAME WILL FOLLOW IN A JOINT AMCON TELEGRAM.  
INVESTIGATIONS ON TARGETED VIOLATORS ARE  
CONTINUING AT EACH SNO GARRISON AND VEHICLE CHECKS CONTINUE  
TO AVERAGE AROUND 150 PER WEEK.

E) GENERAL COMMENT: DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD  
CMDO PERSONNEL AND COSNO GRANTED AN INTERVIEW TO MR. SIMMS,  
A REPORTER FROM TIME MAGAZINE REGARDING SNO'S INVOLVEMENT  
IN THE SUPPRESSION OF NARCOTICS IN NORTHERN THAILAND.

2. TASK FORCE 27 ( GSI)

A) PERSONNEL: LTC KHAMPHAY PHANOUVONG HAS BEEN  
APPOINTED AS ACTING CHIEF OF THE GSI BAN HOUEI SAI DISTRICT  
OFFICE WITH THE FORMER CHIEF, MAJOR KHAMPHOUT, AS HIS  
ASSISTANT. KHAMPHAY WAS FORMERLY DISTRICT CHIEF OF THE  
LUANG PRABANG DISTRICT OFFICE.

CAPTAIN PHOUVANH HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS  
ACTING CHIEF OF THE GSI LUANG PRABANG DISTRICT OFFICE.

LIEUTENANT PHONESAVATH BOUPHA HAS BEEN  
APPOINTED AS ACTING CHIEF OF THE GSO SAYABOURY DISTRICT  
OFFICE. MAJOR BLY BLONG, FORMER CHIEF, AND 2 ND LT. SIRIDETH  
HAVE BEEN REASSIGNED TO VIENTIANE:

B) OFFICE SPACE: NO CHANGE.

C) EQUIPMENT: NO CHANGE.

D) OPERATIONS:

A. BAN HOUEI SAI: NOTHING SIGNIFICANT  
B. SAYABOURY: NOTHING SIGNIFICANT.  
C) PAKSE: S/A VOPAT AND LTC SOUNTHONE  
TRAVELED TO PAKSE ON JUNE 20 AND 21 TO INVESTIGATE  
ALLEGATIONS OF PRECURSORS AT THE TEK CHIENG STORE AND  
ONE AAM CARIBOU SUSPECTED OF TRANSPORTING OPIUM TO UDORN,  
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THAILAND. BOTH ALLEGATIONS PROVED TO BE FALSE.

D) LUANG PRABANG: ARRESTED CHANE SOUK ON  
JUNE 11 TH AND SEIZED 2 PONGS RAW OPIUM AS WELL AS 81,600  
IN PATHET LAO CURRENCY.

E. VIENTIANE:  
1. ON JUNE 16 TH GSI TRAVELED TO  
PAK LY AND SEARCHED TWO FREIGHT BOAST SUSPECTED OF MOVING

OPIUM. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

2. ON JUNE 20 TH ONGOING UNDERCOVER

NEGOTIATIONS WITH A CHINESE SUSPECT AT BAN XON ELICITED HIS CLAIM OF HAVING 20 KILOGRAMS NUMBER 4 HEROIN UNDER HIS CONTROL. NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUING.

3. ON JUNE 21 ST, GSI ARRESTED TWO LAO

MALES AT PHONE HONG IN POSSESSION OF 2 KILOGRAMS OF RAW OPIUM.

4. ON JUNE 13-15 GSI CONDUCTED

CHECKPOINT OPERATIONS ON THE LUANG PRABAN HIGHWAY NORTH OF VIENTIANE. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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